

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1        1. (currently amended) An electronic gaming apparatus comprising:  
2              an electronic gaming device having a plurality of games accessible to a user,  
3              wherein different games in the plurality of games include different odds and pay tables;  
4              a user-actuable input means in communication with said electronic gaming  
5              device configured to allow selection of multiple games in the plurality of games and to  
6              communicate an input signal from said user;  
7              a game controller in communication with said user-actuable input means, said  
8              game controller substantially simultaneously initiating play and substantially simultaneously  
9              continuing play of multiple ones of said plurality of games in response to user activation thereof;  
10             and  
11              a pay table calculator in communication with said game controller to calculate a  
12              composite pay table based on joint possible resultsthe odds and pay tables of said multiple ones  
13              of said plurality of games initiated by said user activation.
  
- 1        2. (canceled)
  
- 1        3. (previously presented) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
2              said composite pay table defines a new game.
  
- 1        4. (previously presented) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
2              said composite pay table defines a bonus table.
  
- 1        5. (previously presented) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, and  
2              further comprising a network interface in communication with said game controller, enabling  
3              communication with said game controller from a remote location.

1               6. (original) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 5, wherein said remote  
2 location is a separate electronic gaming device.

1               7. (original) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein a plurality  
2 of separate electronic gaming devices communicate with said game controller.

1               8. (original) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein said  
2 composite pay table is communicated to each of said plurality of separate electronic gaming  
3 devices.

1               9. (previously presented) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
2 said user-actuatable input means is a touch-screen video monitor.

1               10. (currently amended) A method of playing an electronic game comprising  
2 the steps of:

3               selecting a first game from a menu comprising a plurality of games presented by  
4 an electronic gambling device, wherein different games in the plurality of electronic games  
5 include different odds and pay tables;

6               supplementing said selection of said first game by a further selection of an  
7 additional game from said menu of said plurality of games;

8               generating a composite pay table based on first odds and a first pay table for the  
9 first game and second odds and a second pay table based on the additional game; and

10              substantially simultaneously initiating play and concurrently playing said first and  
11 said additional games.

1               11. (previously presented) A method of playing an electronic game according  
2 to Claim 10, wherein the third pay table comprises at least one of a new game and a bonus game.

1               12. (previously presented) A method of playing an electronic game according  
2 to Claim 11, and further comprising;

3               establishing communications between a plurality of electronic gambling devices;  
4 and

5                   communicating said third pay table to said plurality of electronic gambling  
6 devices.

1                   13. (currently amended) A method for providing a plurality of electronic  
2 games on an electronic gaming device, the method comprising:

3                   providing a menu including the plurality of electronic games, each electronic  
4 game in the plurality of electronic games being independent of one another, wherein different  
5 games in the plurality of electronic games include different odds and pay tables;

6                   receiving a selection for two or more of the plurality of electronic games;

7                   determining a composite pay table for the selected two or more games based on  
8 the two or more games selected ~~and~~, a wager received for each of the selected two or more  
9 games, ~~wherein the composite pay table is based on joint outcomes and the odds and pay tables of~~  
10 the two or more games selected;

11                  substantially simultaneously initiating play of the selected two or more electronic  
12 games; and

13                  playing the selected two or more electronic games substantially simultaneously.

1                   14. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 13, further  
2 comprising receiving a wager for each of the selected two or more games.

1                   15. (canceled)

1                   16. (canceled)

1                   17. (currently amended) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
2 the pay table calculator calculates the composite pay table using pay tables and odds of the  
3 multiple ones of said plurality of electronic games ~~and in addition to~~ wagers received for the  
4 multiple ones of said plurality of electronic games.

1                   18. (previously presented) A gaming apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein  
2 at least one of the plurality of games is a progressive game.

1               19. (Previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein at least  
2   on of the first game and additional game comprise a progressive game.

1               20. (currently amended) A gaming device comprising:  
2               a display of a plurality of games;  
3               a game selection input configured to receive a selection of a first and second game  
4   from the plurality of games, wherein different games in the plurality of games include different  
5   odds and pay tables;  
6               a pay table generator configured to generate a third pay table based on-on first  
7   odds and a first pay table for the first game and second odds and a second pay table for the  
8   second game; and  
9               a game controller configured to substantially simultaneous start game play of the  
10 selected first and second game in response to a single user input.

1               21. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein the game  
2   controller is configured to generate a result for the first and second game, wherein the display is  
3   configured to display the result.

1               22. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 21, wherein the result  
2   comprises a first result for the first game and a second result for the second game, wherein the  
3   first and the second result are determined substantially simultaneously.

1               23. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, further comprising  
2   a wager input configured to receive a wager amount for the first and second game.

1               24. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 23, wherein the result  
2   corresponds to an award based on the wager amount.

1               25. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein the first  
2   and second games are independent games.

1               26. (canceled)

1           27. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein a result  
2 for the first and second game is awarded from the generated third pay table.

1           28. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein the  
2 display is configured to display the game play of the first and the second game substantially  
3 simultaneously.

1           29. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein at least  
2 one of the first and the second games comprises a progressive game.

1           30. (Previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, further comprising  
2 a selection input configured to receive any selections by a player that are required for the first  
3 and second game, wherein the selections are received before game play of the first and second  
4 games is initiated.

1           31. (Currently amended) A method for providing game play using a gaming  
2 device, the method comprising:

3           displaying a menu of a plurality of games on the gaming device, wherein different  
4 games in the plurality of games include different odds and pay tables;

5           receiving a selection for a first game and a second game in the plurality of games;  
6           receiving a wager for the first game before initiation of play for the first and the  
7 second game;

8           receiving a wager for the second game before initiation of play for the first and  
9 the second game;

10          determining a third pay table based on first odds and a first pay table for the first  
11 game and second odds and a second pay table for the second game;

12          receiving a single user input to initiate game play;  
13          substantially simultaneously initiating play and continuing game play for the first  
14 and the second games; and

15          displaying a result for the first and the second games.

1               32. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the first and  
2 second games are initiated and played in an independent gaming device.

1               33. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further comprising  
2 determining a result for the first and second games, wherein the result for the first and the second  
3 game are controlled and determined by an independent gaming device.

1               34. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the first and  
2 second games are independent games.

1               35. (canceled)

1               36. (canceled)

1               37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further comprising  
2 displaying the game play of the first and the second game substantially simultaneously.

1               38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein at least one of  
2 the first and the second games comprises a progressive game.

1               39. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further comprising:  
2               determining a first result based on the game play of the first game; and  
3               determining a second result based on the game play of the second game,  
4               wherein determining the first and the second results are done substantially  
5 simultaneously.

1               40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 31, further comprising  
2 receiving any selections by a player that are required for the first and second game, wherein the  
3 selections are received before game play of the first and second games is initiated.

1               41. (Previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the play  
2 of the multiple ones of said plurality of games is self-contained in the gaming apparatus.

1           42. (Previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 1, further  
2 comprising a display configured to display the substantially simultaneous play of the multiple  
3 ones of said plurality of games.

1           43. (Previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the  
2 multiple ones of said plurality of games are independent games.

1           44. (Previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the  
2 game controller is configured to generate a result for the multiple ones of said plurality of games  
3 substantially simultaneously.

1           45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein playing the first  
2 and said additional games is self-contained in the electronic gambling device.

1           46. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, further comprising  
2 displaying the concurrent play of the first game and said additional games.

1           47. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, wherein the first and said  
2 additional games are independent games.

1           48. (Previously presented) The method of claim 10, further comprising  
2 substantially simultaneously generating a result for the first game and said additional games.

1           49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the play of the  
2 two or more electronic games is self-contained in the electronic gaming device.

1           50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, further comprising  
2 displaying the concurrent play of the two or more electronic games.

1           51. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the two or more  
2 electronic games are independent games.

1           52. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, further comprising  
2 substantially simultaneously generating a result for the two or more electronic games.

1               53. (previously presented) The method of claim 52, further comprising  
2 awarding an award from the third pay table if the result is a winning result.

1               54. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 1, wherein the  
2 game controller is configured to generate a result for each of the multiple ones of said plurality  
3 of games.

1               55. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 54, wherein the  
2 game controller is configured to award an award for a game in the multiple ones of said plurality  
3 of games if the result for the game is a winning result.

1               56. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 54, wherein the  
2 game controller is configured to award an award from the composite pay table based on joint  
3 results for the multiple ones of said plurality of games.

1               57. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 3, wherein a wager  
2 is received in order to participate in the new game.

1               58. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 7, wherein the  
2 controller is configured to determine an award from the composite pay table.

1               59. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 58, wherein the  
2 award is based on joint possible outcomes of said multiple ones of said plurality of games from  
3 at least two electronic gambling devices in the plurality of separate gaming devices.

1               60. (previously presented) The method of claim 10, further comprising  
2 determining a first result for the first game and an additional result for the additional game.

1               61. (previously presented) The method of claim 60, further comprising:  
2               awarding an award from the first pay table if the first result is a winning result for  
3 the first pay table; and  
4               awarding an award from the second pay table if the second result is a winning  
5 result for the second pay table.

1               62. (previously presented) The method of claim 60, further comprising  
2 awarding an award for the third pay table if a combination of the first result and second result is  
3 a winning result in the third pay table.

1               63. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein if the third pay  
2 table comprises a new game, the method further comprising receiving a wager to participate in  
3 the new game.

1               64. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 12, wherein the  
2 controller is configured to determine an award from the composite pay table.

1               65. (previously presented) The gaming apparatus of claim 64, wherein the  
2 award is based on joint possible outcomes of said multiple ones of said plurality of games from  
3 at least two electronic gambling devices in the plurality of separate gambling devices.

1               66. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, further comprising  
2 determining a result for each of the two or more games.

1               67. (previously presented) The method of claim 66, further comprising:  
2 awarding an award for a game in the two or more games if the result for the game  
3 is a winning result.

1               68. (previously presented) The method of claim 66, further comprising  
2 awarding an award for the composite pay table if a combination of the result for each of the two  
3 or more games is a winning result in the composite pay table.

1               69. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 20, wherein the game  
2 controller is configured to determine a first result for the first game and a second result for the  
3 second game.

1               70. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 69, wherein the game  
2 controller is configured to:  
3 award an award from the first pay table if the first result is a winning result for the  
4 first pay table; and

5 award an award from the second pay table if the second result is a winning result  
6 for the second pay table.

1 71. (previously presented) The gaming device of claim 69, wherein the game  
2 controller is configured to award an award for the third pay table if a combination of the first  
3 result and second result is a winning result in the third pay table.

1 72. (previously presented) The method of claim 31, wherein the result  
2 comprises a first result for the first game and a second result for the second game.

1 73. (previously presented) The method of claim 72, further comprising:  
2 awarding an award from the first pay table if the first result is a winning result for  
3 the first pay table; and  
4 awarding an award from the second pay table if the second result is a winning  
5 result for the second pay table.

1 74. (previously presented) The method of claim 72, further comprising  
2 awarding an award for the third pay table if a combination of the first result and second result is  
3 a winning result in the third pay table.